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NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields—Fruit port—Smallpox at Managua.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, May 16, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith report of transactions¹ for the week ended May 15, 1901:

Two fruit vessels were inspected, received bills of health, with U. S. Marine-Hospital certificate attached thereto, the triplicates of which are inclosed herewith.

May 11, Norwegian steamship *Utstein*; Aarsvold, master; crew, 15; passengers, none; cargo, fruit; cleared for New Orleans direct. May 15, Norwegian steamship *Condor*; Rasmussen, master; crew, 16; passengers, none; cargo, fruit; cleared for New Orleans direct.

One death occurred in this town on the 14th instant from fever; there was no suspicion as to contagion or infection attending the same.

The death just referred to was that of a colored infant, age 8 months.

The local hospital has been visited, as usual, and nothing of a suspicious or disquieting nature was in evidence.

The sanitary conditions of the port of Bluefields and the adjacent territory remain satisfactory.

Information has been received and communicated to me by Dr. P. J. Bermudez, port physician at this place, that smallpox exists to an alarming degree at Managua, the capital, and that it has spread to the cities of Masaya and Grenada. Managua, on the Pacific slope, is about seven or eight days travel from here, Grenada located on Lake Nicaragua, and Masaya about midway as to the two cities above mentioned.

The Government, apprehensive as to its appearance on this coast, is enforcing compulsory vaccination at this port—in fact, over the entire Nicaraguan territory.

There is at present no suspicion as to the existence of smallpox at or near Bluefields.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Plague and smallpox.

MANILA, P. I., April 7, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the plague situation in Manila during the week ended March 30, 1901, remained about the same. During this period there were 20 cases and 18 deaths, distributed as follows: Chinese, 17; Filipinos, 3.

During the same week there were 29 cases of smallpox with no deaths, and a total number of deaths from all causes of 240.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MANILA, P. I., April 10, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that a further slight increase in plague occurred during the week ended April 6, 1901, 29 cases with 21

deaths being reported, distributed as follows: Chinese, 23, Filipinos, 6. During the same period there occurred in Manila 5 cases of smallpox and 227 deaths from all causes.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MANILA, P. I., *April 16, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that the number of cases of plague remained about the same for the week ended April 13, 1901. During this period 27 cases with 25 deaths occurred, Chinese 17, Filipinos 10.

Smallpox is decreasing in Manila, as only 1 case was reported for the week covered by this letter.

During the same period there were 197 deaths from all causes.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report of quarantine transactions at Manila.

MANILA, P. I., *April 10, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit report of quarantine transactions of outgoing boats for the week ended April 6, 1901, as follows:

Number of vessels inspected.....	38
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected.....	557
Number of crew inspected.....	781
Number of passengers inspected.....	747
Number of passengers and crew rejected.....	2
Cause of rejection—	
Beriberi.....	1
Smallpox.....	1

FERRIES.

Number of ferryboats inspected.....	46
Number of passengers inspected.....	3, 224

VACCINATIONS (BOATS ARRIVING).

Number of vaccinations, crew.....	776
Number of vaccinations, passengers.....	1, 159

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MANILA, P. I., *April 17, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to hereby submit report of quarantine transactions of outgoing boats for the week ended April 13, 1901, as follows:

Number of vessels inspected.....	67
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected.....	739
Number of crew inspected.....	1, 309
Number of passengers inspected.....	999
Number of passengers and crew rejected.....	6